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GENEALOGICAL ANNALS

OF

Anthony and Barbara Eschbach,

With brief Records of their Children and Descendants.

Edmund Risher Eschbach

"Howe'er it be, it seems to me,
'Tis only noble to be good;
Kind hearts are more than coronets,
And simple faith than Norman blood."
—*Tennyson.*

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INTRODUCTION.

It is interesting as well as instructive to study the history of our ancestors. In this way, we come the better to understand through what difficulties, trials and labors they passed, in locating and providing for families, that have since won their way to position and influence.

These humble annals have been gathered and are now published not for the gain of glory, but for the preservation of genealogical history.

They are made as concise as possible, and are not presented as complete, but as a contribution towards any work of that kind, which may hereafter be undertaken. If this work had been begun 25 or more years ago, while a few of those who had known some of the principal actors were yet alive, much interesting detail, now irrevocably lost, might have been preserved.

Much pains has been taken by a comparison of family Bible registers, and other records, and through extensive correspondence, to render the statistics attempted as full, and the statements made as accurate as possible.

If I have in any measure succeeded in rescuing from oblivion the memory of some of our ancestors, who aided in shaping the character and destiny of our land, and have preserved to posterity names from whom it is an honor to claim descent, I shall consider myself well rewarded for the time and effort expended.

EDMUND RISHEL ESCHBACH.

Frederick, Md.

MEMORIAL.

JOHN ESCHBACH.

The founder of the family with whose immediate history we are concerned, was John, the son of *John and Anna Mary Eschbach*, Palatines, who arrived at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, November 30, 1750, having come in the ship "Sand-wich," Hazelhood captain, from Rotterdam, last from "Cowes," with 200 passengers.,

He was born in the Palatinate, Germany, December 15, 1747.

The family settled in that part of Northampton County, Pennsylvania, which is now known as Lehigh County. Here he grew to manhood in the bosom of a christian family, and was with his parents in the communion of the Reformed Church. He learned a trade in early youth, and with characteristic enterprise acquired sufficient means to commence business on his own account, soon after he attained his majority. Having established himself in trade, the next important step was to settle himself for life.

In the year 1769 he married Anna Mary Busch, who was born in the Palatinate, Germany, May 18, 1749. Her father, John Michael Busch, emigrated with his family from the "Palatinate," and landed in Philadelphia, November 25, 1740. They were thrifty, pious people and exemplary members of the Reformed Church.

John Eschbach having established a home, now applied himself earnestly to the prosecution of his business. Industrious, frugal and regular in all his habits, he was prospered, so as to be enabled not only to provide for his steadily growing family, but also to lay by something with which he might in later years secure a coveted home of his own.

The pious example of his ancestors, and the early teachings of his parents were not lost on him. He had been reared in the nurture and admonition of the Lord, therefore, whilst "diligent in business, he was also fervent in spirit." His domestic relations were most happy. He found a true help-meet in his wife. They shared each others burdens, while love nerved them to do and to dare whatever might be necessary. Ten children were born to them, five sons and five daughters, all but one of whom, who died in childhood, survived them. They saw their children grow up around them, become members of the church, and useful and respected members of society. As thoughtful and considerate parents, they were concerned that their children might have better opportunities to become well settled in life than they could provide for them in the locality in which they were living. After much thought and prayer, they determined in the fear of God, to remove to the frontier settlements, and make homes for themselves in a new, and comparatively uncultivated country.

Early in the fall of 1804, the father, together with his second son Anthony, made the trip on horseback, from Northampton to Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, portions of which journey was regarded as through a wilderness. This was before turnpikes were built across the mountains or bridges across the streams. Sometimes there was only an Indian trail to indicate the line of travel. They purchased a tract of 247 acres of land at $26.50 per acre, in what is now Turbut and Lewis townships, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, from John Ray, an Irish

bachelor, who lived in very primitive style on a section of this land.

In the spring of 1805, he, with his son Anthony, who had joined in the purchase of land, moved their families over the mountains to this new location, with three four-horse teams, bringing with them their cows, and what were considered the necessaries of life, including their outfit of mechanics tools. The journey was successfully made. The land was divided between father and son. Each of them proceeded during the first summer to fell the forest and to erect a substantial log house. Into these houses their families were gathered for shelter and protection.

The progress of a century is so great that one can scarcely realize what has been accomplished. Settlements that were mere hamlets, have grown into stately boroughs and populous cities. Many beautiful and thrifty towns exist that were not thought of at the beginning of the century.

Finely constructed roads have taken the place of Indian trails, and all that remains of the rude and savage race that once peopled and claimed this territory as their home are the stone relics now found in antiquarian collections. The territory into which they moved, is now indeed a rural paradise. The scenery is diversified and picturesque. Here now dwells a progressive, enterprising and cultured people, surrounded with all the comforts that prosperity can confer upon them.

Their children all married, and for the most part settled around them. Their descendants are among the most useful and valued citizens in church and state.

That which induced father and son to locate in this particular locality, was the fact, that others of their acquaintance, and of the same religious faith, had a year or two earlier located here. They would constitute a community, would have congenial neighbors, and the privileges of their own church for themselves and their families.

This country at that time was sparsely settled. Minis-

ters were few in number, and the people gladly welcomed whoever came in the name of their church, to minister to them in spiritual things. The fragmentary records of those days, testify to the earnest, self-denying and pious labors of the fathers who laïd the foundations of the church in that locality. To recount the heroic deeds of the sainted dead, and commend them to the gratitude and favor of the living is amongst our most agreeable and noble duties.

The people of the Reformed faith were probably organized into a congregation prior to the arrival of John Eschbach in the community, but already in the fall of 1805, he was one of the elders of the congregation, and continued to be in office to the day of his death. As at this time the congregation had no house of worship, services were held in the summer in the barn of Elders John Eschbach or George Stahl, and in the winter in the houses of one or the other of these fathers of the church.

In the year 1809, a parcel of ground was bought and a building erected thereon designed for both church and school purposes.

In the fall of 1822, a regular pastoral charge was constituted of which this congregation was made a part, known as the "Paradise charge."

In the year 1823, the name "Paradise," first occurs in the minutes of the synod, as the name of this congregation. Prior to this date, the organization is always officially referred to as "Eschbach's" or "Eschbach's School House."

It is a matter of justifiable pride to learn from the records of this congregation that from the year 1805, to the present 1902, with but brief interruptions, there has been a succession in the eldership of this congregation, one of the family bearing the Eschbach name. John was after his death succeeded by his son Anthony, and he by his son David, and he by his son Albert, the present incumbent.

These simple, silent records are eloquent in commendation of the integrity, piety, usefulness and positive christian influence of the family in the community, for all that is pure in life and ennobling in citizenship. John Eschbach and his faithful wife served well their generation and have entered into rest. Their remains lie side by side in the grave yard adjoining the Paradise Church, Turbut Township, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania. Earths fitful dreams are over, and we rejoice in believing that among the redeemed, they sing the "Song of Moses and the Lamb."

They left behind them one treasure as a legacy, an inestimable heritage to their descendants—a *good name.*

Two neat marble slabs at the head of their graves record these facts:

JOHN,	CATHERINE BUSCH,
Son of JOHN and ANNA MARY ESCHBACH.	Wife of JOHN ESCHBACH.
BORN DECEMBER 15, 1747.	BORN MAY 18, 1749.
DIED FEBRUARY 2, 1813.	DIED OCTOBER 18, 1831.
Aged, 65 yrs. 1 mo. and 17 days.	Aged, 82 yrs., 5 months.

They had ten children, five sons and five daughters, as follows:

JOHN,	ELIZABETH,
ANTHONY,	SUSANNA,
VALENTINE,	SYVILLA,
JOHN PHILIP,	MARY,
SOLOMON.	CATHARINE.

1. JOHN married MARY FINCK. They remained in Northampton County, Pennsylvania, when the rest of the family removed.

2. ANTHONY married BARBARA ROMIG. They had seven children, four sons and three daughters. Two of the sons died in early childhood.

3. VALENTINE, died in early youth.

4. JOHN PHILIP married MARY ROMIG, half sister of *Barbara Romig*. They had five children, two of whom died in infancy. Three daughters grew to womanhood. He married a second time MARY CATHERINE FOLLMER. They had two children, a son and a daughter.

5. SOLOMON married MARY STAHL. They had eight children, six sons and two daughters.

6. ELIZABETH married PHILIP STAHL. They had one child, a son named George.

7. SUSANNA married BALTZAR GARNHART. They had four sons and one daughter.

8. SYVILLA married JACOB BORDER. They had only one child, a son.

9. MARY married JONAS TAYLOR. They had one son and three daughters.

10. CATHARINE married PETER KUHNS. They had but one child, a daughter, *Catharine*, who married *John Balliett*.

ANTHONY ESCHBACH.

Anthony Eschbach was the second child of *John* and *Anna Mary Eschbach.* He was born in Northampton County, Pa., Jan. 28, 1772. According to the usage of the Reformed Church, of which his parents were members, he was baptized in infancy, carefully nurtured in the bosom of a christian family and confirmed at the age of sixteen.

He was born in troublous times and nursed in the cradle of liberty. The colonies were resisting the exactions of the mother country. The dormant patriotism of the people was aroused. The blood of freemen coursed hotly through their veins. A long catalogue of wrongs had been unheeded by the English government. The American people would brook the insult no longer. The stirring and critical events, which occurred so early in his history deeply impressed him, so that he remembered and recounted many things that occurred in connection with the closing struggles of the war of independence.

His educational advantages were limited. The times were too stirring and the exactions too great to admit of much opportunity for schools. He, however, had the education that comes from practical contact with men and things, amid the emergencies that were forced upon the people. He was keenly alive to what was transpiring in the nation. He was almost twelve years of age when the Continental Army was disbanded by an Act of Congress.

The returned soldiers congregated at his father's shop, and there often recounted their trials and hardships in the army. The lad listened with breathless interest to the recital of these experiences. He was sixteen years of age when George Washington was created the first President of the United States. A vivid memory of these events lived with him to the close of his life.

His father being a blacksmith, he was brought up to that business. He continued to work with his father, up to the time of his marriage, after which event he conducted business on his own account.

In the spring of 1797, he married Barbara Romig, the fourth child and only daughter of Adam and Catharine Butz Romig. This marriage relation was most congenial and happy.

In 1805, he gathered up his young family and all his earthly effects and together with his father and all his father's family, except his eldest brother John, who was married and settled in the old home, emigrated to Northumberland County, Pennsylvania. They travelled each with his own and one hired four-horse team, over rough and unfrequented roads. This was before turnpikes were made or bridges built. The larger streams which could not be safely forded, had to be ferried. He had at this time three children, the youngest, a babe about six months old, which its mother carried in her arms, riding the family mare, on a side saddle, after the wagons. The journey was safely made.

The land which father and son had purchased jointly, was divided. Roads were laid out as they exist to this day. He took possession of the dwelling, which John Ray, the former owner had occupied, and lived in it the first year. It was a poorly constructed log cabin, set on wooden posts about three feet above the ground. It was small and comfortless, but afforded the only shelter and protection, he could at the time, secure for his young family. He felled the forest, and at once erected a log

barn on the site of which the present large barn stands. During the following year he erected a log house, 16 by 20 feet, close, warm and comfortable, as compared with the one he left, and moved into it in the fall of 1806. The mutual sacrifices, thrift and frugality of husband and wife enabled them to build a larger house in 1816, which is still standing and forms a part of the residence since then continuously occupied by his descendants bearing the Eschbach name.

Immediately upon their settlement in the new home, they identified themselves with the Reformed congregation, which was but recently organized. On the church record his name occurs as one of those who assisted with his means and personal labor, in the erection of the building in 1809, designed for church and school purposes. It was a large, one-story log house with a partition through the middle. One of the apartments was used for school purposes during week days, and on Sunday, the partition, which was hung by hinges on one of the joists, was swung up, so as to throw the two apartments into one room for preaching service.

He was chosen an Elder of this congregation in 1811, and except for two intervals of a year or two each, he was continued in the office to the day of his death in 1834.

A new church was built jointly by the Reformed and Lutheran congregations in 1823 and 1824. That building was only removed in the spring of 1902, after having stood untenanted for years. The material was used in the construction of the present sexton's house of the Reformed Congregation.

He was one of the Building Committee of the Reformed congregation in the constrnction of that Union Church. It was dedicated in August, 1824. Rev. Samuel Gutelius was the Reformed minister who had charge of the service.

To the day of his death, Anthony Eschbach was prominent and useful in the church and the community in which he lived. He died suddenly from an attack of apo-

plexy on May 10, 1834, at the age of 62 years, 3 months and 12 days. He left home in the morning on horseback to transact some business, and when several miles from home, he received the stroke, fell from his horse, and was just able to crawl to the road side, where his lifeless body was found several hours after his death.

His wife survived him twenty years, and was truly a widow. As soon as the estate of her husband could be settled, she made her home with her oldest son, who had purchased the home place. About the year 1849 she sustained a double injury in breaking her arm and thigh. She had gone with the wife of her youngest son in a buggy to visit some relatives. On their return to her home, as she was getting out of the buggy, the horse took fright, and began to kick and run. By a kick her fore arm was broken, which loosened her hold on the conveyance, her clothing caught on the step in her fall, she was dragged some distance and her thigh broken. The horse soon broke loose from the conveyance, which probably saved her life. Her companion who remained in the buggy was unharmed. The writer, then a lad of fourteen, witnessed the accident from a short distance.

This crippled her for the remainder of her life, but she bore her sufferings and disability with sweet christian resignation. She was a devoted wife and mother, and her living grand children of today rise up to "call her memory blessed."

Her remains lie by the side of her husband in the Reformed graveyard at the Paradise Church, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania.

Two plain marble slabs record the following facts:

ANTHONY ESCHBACH,

BORN JANUARY 28, 1772.

DIED MAY 10, 1834.

Aged 62 yrs. 3 mos. and 12 days.

BARBARA ROMIG,

Wife of Anthony Eschbach,

BORN MARCH 25, 1778.

DIED DECEMBER, 1854.

Aged 76 yrs. 8 mos. and 16 days.

They had seven children, four sons and three daughters:

JONATHAN,	SARAH,
CATHARINE,	ELIZABETH BARBARA,
DAVID,	JOHN ANTHONY,
JACOB.	

JONATHAN was born in 1798 and died in 1800, aged about two years.

JACOB was born November 18, 1804, and died in 1806, aged about two years.

I.

CATHARINE, was the daughter of ANTHONY and BARBARA ESCHBACH. She was born in Northampton County, Pennsylvania, September 23, 1801; was baptized in her infancy, and became a confirmed member of the Paradise Reformed Congregation in Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, at the age of fifteen. She married JACOB GOUGER, October 23, 1817. They lived all her married life within a few miles of her father's home. She died July 10, 1841, aged 40 years, 9 months and 17 days.

JACOB GOUGER was born December 4, 1793; died July 31, 1865, aged 71 years, 7 months and 7 days. Husband and wife lie buried side by side in the grave yard adjoining *Follmers Lutheran Church*, in Northumberland County, Pennsylvania.

They had nine children, three sons and six daughters:

ELIZA,	MARGARET,	ANTHONY ESCHBACH,
BARBARA,	SARAH,	MARTHA,
JOHN WILLIAM,	SUSAN,	JACOB.

1. ELIZA, born January 25, 1819; married *Nathan Wagner*, May, 1837. They had two children, *Mary Caroline*, born January 1, 1839; died August 8, 1857, aged 18 years and 7 months, and *Catharine Amanda*.

   Mr. Wagner died December 31, 1860, aged 50 years, 4 months and 2 days. His widow married Wm. Shires, May, 1867. They have no children. Mr. Shires died in ———— and she now lives in Milton, Pennsylvania, with her only living child, Mrs. Smith.

   Catharine Amanda Wagner, born December 9, 1840; married Daniel Webster Smith, January 2, 1862. He was born December 8, 1842. They have one child, a son. Harry Smith, born October 5, 1863; married Carrie R. Crouser in May, 1881. They have four children:

   Daniel Webster, Jr., born September 8, 1883.
   Leroy Krauser, born May 10, 1886.
   George Vernon, born July 2, 1891.
   Nita Ora, born April 14, 1894.

2. BARBARA GOUGER, born January 3, 1821; married 1845 to *Daniel Karchner*. He was born March 28, 1814; died April 27, 1889, aged 74 years, 4 months, and 29 days. She died July 1, 1844, aged 23 years, 5 months and 28 days. They lie buried in the grave yard adjoining the Paradise Church, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania. They had one child, *Catharine Elizabeth*, born December 25, 1842; married Joseph W. Emens, January 16, 1862; died December 19, 1882, aged 39 years, 11 months and 14 days. They had seven children, four sons and three daughters:

(*1.*) Daniel R., born October 8, 1862; married May M. Nutting, December 26, 1886. They had five children:

Katie Belle, born December 8, 1887.
Franklin Earl, born October 27, 1895.
Theodore, born February 5, 1897.
Karl Frederick, born September 2, 1899.
Clara May, born January 17, 1902.

(*2.*) Nora Belle, born August 1, 1865; married James T. Porter, November 18, 1885. They had eleven children, six of whom are dead:

Edna Lee, born September 4 1887.
Eva Elizabeth, born March 25, 1889.
Clarence James, born December 9, 1890.
Roy Thomas, born February 16, 1899.
Maxie Louise, born July 6, 1902.

(*3.*) Charles, born June 9, 1868; married Annie Greenhill, December 21, 1890. They have five children:

Virginia Gertrude, born October 30, 1891.
Josephine, born March 19, 1894.
Franklin Charles, born February 25, 1896.
William Edgar, born December 25, 1898.
Mary Lucile, born December 9, 1900.

(*4.*) Frank, born May 23, 1870; married Mary D. Redding, December 7, 1898. They have two children:

Edward R., born December 28, 1900.
Sara Pearl, born February 17, 1902.

(*5.*) Ida Earle, born June 23, 1872; married William John Duncan. They have two children:

Hal Emens, born September 17, 1892.
Hugh La Vern, born December 11, 1895.

(*6.*) Pearl, born May 18, 1875.

(*7.*) William Austin, born October 4, 1879.

3. John William Gouger, born March 8, 1827; married *Esther Haag*, November 3, 1847. She was born

August 8, 1830; died December 30, 1896, aged 66 years, 4 months and 2 days. They had eleven children, six sons and five daughters:

Mary Catharine, born July 1, 1849. She had a son Daniel Levan, born in 1867. He married Sarah Barber, in 1890. They have five children: Mildred, born ——— 1891; Esther, ——— 1894; Mira, ——— 1896; Chester, ——— 1898, and Amos William, ——— 1900.

Mary Catharine, married Francis M. Irvin, December — 1880; died November 20, 1884, aged 35 years, 4 months and 19 days. They had one child, Bessie, born December 23, 1881. Unmarried.

Sarah Elizabeth, born March 11, 1857; married Daniel Lerch, December — 1871. They have two children: Bertha, born November 2, 1872, and Donald Gouger, born April — 1881. He is a graduate of Franklin and Marshall College at Lancaster, Pennsylvania, of the Class of 1900, and is a student of the Hannæhman Medical College, Philadelphia, of the class of 1903.

John Anthony, born January 8, 1853; married Francis Manardi, February 12, 1879. She died July 31, 1882, aged 39 years, 6 months and 23 days. They had one child, Esther, born March 6, 1880. He married a second time Helen Stanley Pierce, April 21, 1886. No issue.

Oliver Jacob, born February 11, 1856; married *Minnie Seidell* October, 1882. They have two children: Cora, born 1884, and John T., born 1889.

William Luther, born August 30, 1857. Is unmarried.

Clara Jane, born March 26, 1859; died April 11, 1859, aged 15 days.

Cora Anna, born September 9, 1863; married *Calvin Derr* December 13, 1894. No children.

Edward Lincoln, born July 19, 1865. Is unmarried.

Gertrude Haag, born August 12, 1868; married *Matthew Feinour*, 1895. They have one child, John Gouger, born March 24, 1896. She died April 1, 1896, aged 27 years, 8 months and 29 days.

Isaac Newton, born June 21, 1870; died October 6, 1870, aged 3 months and 15 days.

Noran Melancthon, born August 5, 1871; died February 12, 1872, aged 6 months and 7 days.

4. ANNA MARGARET GOUGER, born in Montour County, Pennsylvania, November 6, 1822; married *Aaron Heckman*, January 29, 1846. She died at Des Moines, Iowa, January 9, 1895, aged 72 years, 2 months and 23 days. He died March 9, 1886, at Constantine, Michigan. They had seven children, four boys and three girls:

Sarah Catharine, born February 4, 1847; married *Owen W. Bowen*, of Albion, Indiana, May 9, 1872, and died at Albion, Indiana, February 8, 1901, aged 54 years and four days. They had two children:

Maggie Belle, born April 14, 1873; married M. H. Webster June 12, 1894. No children.

William Luther, born January 2, 1875; married E. G. Franks, December 27, 1899. No children.

Anna Eliza, born May 19, 1849; died May 16, 1857, aged 1 year, 9 months and 27 days.

Henry Gouger, born February 13, 1851; married *Elizabeth Stuart*, of Schoolcraft, Michigan, February, 1881. They are now living in Clark, South Dakota.

John Anthony, born July 24, 1852; died September 7, 1852, aged 1 month and 17 days.

Charles Luther, born January 3, 1856; married *Theda Smith*, of Belvidere, Ill., July 20, 1887. They are now living at Girard, Kansas.

Ida Belle, born July 2, 1858; married *Ira Nelson Ward*,

of Vergennes, Vermont, January 20, 1894. They are now living at Memphis, Tennessee.

John Melancthon, born July 17, 1860; died April, 1861, aged 8 months and 13 days.

5. Sarah Gouger, born in Montour County, Pennsylvania, January 15, 1829; married *William Fox*, 1854. He was born April 29, 1822; died October 20, 1897, aged 75 years, 6 months and 1 day. She died April 17, 1901, aged 71 years, 10 months and 2 days. They had two children, a son and a daughter:

Rose, born 1854; married *S——— Hagenbuch.* They had one child, Cotta, who is unmarried.

Clarence, born 1856, and married ——— ——— 1878.

6. Susan Gouger, born January 24, 1832; married *Abraham Miller Waugh*, April 15, 1858. She died December 29, 1894, aged 62 years, 11 months and 5 days. He died at Rockport, Ill., December 20, 1901. The family home during the first years of their married life was in Niagara County, New York. In 1867 they moved to New Milford, Ill., and in 1883 to Rockfort, Ill. They had four children, two sons and two daughters:

William Humboldt, born May 24, 1859; died May 16, 1862, aged 3 years, 3 months and 22 days.

Catharine Gouger, born June 4, 1862; is a lawyer by profession, married *Frank H. McCullough*, also a lawyer, May 30, 1890. Both were admitted to the Illinois Bar in 1886. They have three children, two sons and a daughter:

Hugh Waugh, born October 12, 1891.

Hathorne Waugh, born May 2, 1899.

Catharine Waugh, born February 25, 1900.

Lettie Agnes, born October 7, 1864; died December 5, 1871, aged 7 years, 1 month and 28 days.

Edwin Luther, born June 16, 1866; married *Laura Lee*, Sept. 30, 1890. They have two daughters:

Dorothy Lee, born May 18, 1894.

Susan Jane Lee, born August 12, 1899.

7. Anthony Eschbach Gouger, born September 2, 1834; married *Elizabeth Clapp*, February 15, 1857. She was born November 10, 1836. He died April 17, 1901, aged 66 years, 7 months and 15 days. They had three children, a daughter and two sons:

Ella Dora, born July 12, 1859. Is unmarried.

Curtis Clapp, born February 5, 1861; married *Hannah Seibert*, December 18, 1890. They have three children, two sons and a daughter:

George Anthony, born May, 1892.

William Clarence, born December, 1894.

Helen Elizabeth, born December, 1898.

William Arthur, born May 20, 1863; married *Emily Rogers*, November 26, 1890. No children. He died September 27, 1900, aged 37 years, 4 months and 7 days.

8. Mary Martha Gouger, born June 18, 1839; married *William Wagner*, January 2, 1861, and are now living in Des Moines, Iowa. They have two sons:

Jacob Alvin, born July 19, 1863; married *Catharine Herron*, 1883. Their children are three, as follows:

Charles W., born December, 1884.

Donald F., born March, 1888.

Helen Marguriete, born October 26, 1892.

He married a second time *Eva M. Gamble*, 1895. Live in Des Moines, Iowa.

Wilmer Gouger Wagner, born at Constantine, Michigan, May 26, 1866; married *Georgia Adda Pargar*, of Sid-

ney, Iowa, May 26, 1887. She was born at Knoxville, Iowa, August 6, 1870. They have four children, as follows:

Raymond Bly, born June 10, 1888, at Malvern, Iowa.

Glen Devere, born December 10, 1890, at Clarinda, Iowa.

Edwin Gilman, born May 3, 1893, at Shenandoah, Iowa.

Wilma Lucile, born December 10, 1901, at Burlington, Iowa. Now live in Burlington, Iowa.

9. Jacob Gouger, Jr., born February 3, 1837; died June 10, 1837, aged 4 months and 7 days.

II.

DAVID ESCHBACH.

David was the third child and oldest living son of Anthony and Barbara Eschbach. He was born in what is now Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, October 27, 1802, and was baptized in his infancy. When he was less than three years of age his parents moved to Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, to a locality which because of its attractive surroundings, soon came to be known as "Paradise," a name which it still bears. For rural beauty, natural fertility of soil, and charming scenery, it is rarely equalled by any district of like size, in this country. It is universally agreed that the name has been worthily bestowed. In his early youth the family had few comforts, but such as they had, all shared together with a cheerful spirit. The educational advantages of that day were limited. The public school system came much later. The residents of the community joined together in the erection of a school house of logs, about 20 feet square, about a half mile from

the family residence. When an acceptable teacher could be secured, a school was conducted during the winter months. Pupils of both sexes were admitted between the ages of five and twenty-five years. The language spoken in the home, at this time, was German, and it was difficult for such children to get on well with English lessons. They were often sneeringly called "The Dutch" by the English-speaking children. David was an energetic, fearless boy, and soon made his way in school and out of it. These irregular school privileges continued until he entered his sixteenth year, after which his services were required at home. He had, however, by this time acquired a taste for knowledge, and continued to improve his leisure hours at home, by reading such good books as he could secure. At the age of eighteen he commenced to take his county paper, and read it continuously to the day of his death. When the Reformed Church paper was started, he became a subscriber, and a careful reader of the same throughout his entire life. He had an intelligent conception of what was transpiring in church and state.

His mother was very fond of music, and had a sweet, clear voice. From her he learned to sing, and was soon recognized as having unusual gifts as a singer. This was before the advent of church choirs. He became the recognized leader of the congregational singing at a comparatively early age, and as late as 1860 was still doing service in this capacity in the congregation to which he belonged. By his own effort he learned to play the organ, and other musical instruments, so as to use them with good effect in the church services. This was the aim and end of his musical efforts. It was with him a service of love, and never of pecuniary reward.

He was carefully instructed in the teachings of the Heidelberg Catechism when from twelve to fifteen years of age. The German language was used, which he had learned to read and write from his parents. In the spring of 1818, he was confirmed in a class of twenty-six, by Rev.

Yost H. Fries, then pastor of the Paradise congregation.

A few years later, Rev. Samuel Gutelius succeeded to this pastorate. He was at the time unmarried, and made his home at John Philip Eschbach's, an uncle to David, on the adjoining farm. He became a comrade of Rev. Gutelius, was much in his society, and occasionally accompanied him on horseback to his several preaching points. This association he ever recognized as having been of great benefit to him.

On October 14, 1824, he married Elizabeth, the only child of Peter and Mary Heimbach Rishel, of Chilisquaque township, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania; Rev. S. Gutelius performed the ceremony at the home of the bride. She was born May 18, 1806.

At the urgent request of his wife's parents, he went to live with them in the spring of 1825, and for ten years conducted their farm.

On May 10, 1834, his father, Anthony Eschbach, died suddenly of apoplexy. He was the oldest living son of his now widowed mother, and she called on him for help and support. She desired to retain in the family the home to which she had given so much of her life and labor, and besides this, a sister and brother, who were yet minors, looked up to him for assistance in providing them and their mother a home. Under the pressure of these circumstances he returned to the home of his youth, and to the relief and comfort of his mother, in 1835.

He settled up his father's estate, and purchased the home place. His mother retained her home with him to the time of her death, and his sister and brother remained in his home, until they were severally married.

Mr. and Mrs. Rishel, his wife's parents, were not happy in being separated from their only child, so they sold their home, and bought a small property adjoining their daughter's home, in 1839. Here they lived and died. After their death, he settled up their estate, and purchased their

property as a home for himself and his family in his declining years.

When he returned to Paradise, he resumed his active relations with the Reformed congregation there. In 1840 he was elected to the Consistory, and made its secretary, which office he continued to fill to the day of his death, an unbroken period of 39 years.

The first Sunday school was organized there about 1840, and although he had never himself enjoyed Sunday school advantages, he was made superintendent, and for many years served in that capacity. He was for 61 years a communicant member of the church, and during 40 years of this period was a member of the Consistory. He filled the office of Elder for 32 consecutive years. He served twice, on Church Building Committees, and was each time treasurer of the committee. He was elected and served 17 times as Delegate Elder to the annual sessions of his Classis. He represented his Classis, by its selection, at the annual sessions of Synod 9 times, and was present as a Delegate at the sessions of the General Synod in 1886, 1875 and 1878.

He never sought office, either in church or state, and never accepted an office with emoluments. He was deeply interested in the cause of education, and served on the School Board of his township, at different times, for 15 years.

He was a man of integrity and good judgment; a man of prayer and faith. His counsel and advice were freely sought by his neighbors and acquaintances, and were as freely and cheerfully given. This simple statement of facts, speaks for itself, and is the best eulogy on his life that could be uttered.

His wife with whom he lived in happy wedlock for over 20 years, was taken ill with typhoid fever, and died October 20, 1844, aged 37 years, 2 months and 2 days, leaving four children, two sons and two daughters, the oldest nine and the youngest three years of age, at the time of her

death. Her remains lie in the Paradise grave yard by the side of her parents.

He was now left with a helpless young family, and entirely dependant upon hired help. The experience was trying and unsatisfactory. This induced him to marry again, earlier than he would probably otherwise have done.

His second marriage was with his cousin, Sarah, daughter of John Philip and Mary Eschbach. She was born in Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, February 13, 1822, and married September 4, 1845. She became the mother of seven living children, six sons and one daughter. She was a faithful wife and devoted mother. To the children of her husband, by his former marriage, she was kind, considerate and helpful. They rise up to call her memory blessed.

When about 70 years of age he removed from the farm, to the home adjoining it, where he spent the evening of his days, and where his widow lived to the time of her death.

He died surrounded by his family, February 15, 1879, aged 76 years, 3 months and 18 days. His funeral sermon was preached in the Paradise Church, by the Rev. John K. Millett, his pastor, from 2 Cor. iv, 7-8, a text which he had himself selected for this occasion some years before his death. The ground at the time was covered with a beautiful sheet of fresh snow, when a large concourse of friends and neighbors, in sleighs and sleds accompanied his remains to this service and his last resting place.

His widow survived him 14 years, when she too entered into rest, from general debility, resulting from an attack of la grippe, July 30, 1893, aged 71 years, 5 months and 17 days. Her funeral services were conducted by Rev. Daniel E. Schroedler, her pastor. The sermon was preached in the Paradise Church, from Psalm xiv, 1, in the presence of a large concourse of relatives, friends and neighbors. Her remains lie in the family lot, by the side of her husband, adjoining the Paradise Church.

Their graves are properly marked and record the following facts:

DAVID ESCHBACH.	ELIZABETH RISHEL,
BORN OCTOBER 27, 1802.	Wife of David Eschbach,
DIED FEBRUARY 15, 1879.	BORN NOVEMBER 18, 1806.
Aged 76 yrs, 3 months, 18 days.	DIED OCTOBER 20, 1844.
	Aged 37 yrs. 2 months, 2 days.

They had four children, two sons and two daughters:

EDMUND RISHEL,	ELIZABETH BARBARA,
MARY CLARISSA,	DAVID JOSHUA.

1. EDMUND RISHEL, was born at Paradise, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, November 9, 1835, baptized by Rev. Daniel Gring, November 22, 1835, and confirmed in the Reformed Church, by Rev. Henry Wiegand, at McEwensville, Pensylvania, at the age of sixteen. He was prepared for college at the McEwensville Academy under Low Rynearson; entered the Sophomore class of Franklin and Marshall College at Lancaster, Pennsylvanla, with the Class of 1856; was graduated in 1859, and completed his theological studies at the seminary at Mercersburg, Pennsylvania, in 1861. He was licensed to preach the Gospel, September 30, 1861, at the Synod of Easton, Pennsylvania, and ordained to the Holy Ministry, in the Reformed Church, by a committee of Westmoreland Classis, October 30, 1861, and at the same date installed pastor of the Somerset Charge, in Somerset, Pennsylvania. He took the degree of A. M. in course in 1863, and had conferred on him the Honorary Degree of D. D., June 18, 1878, by Heidelberg College, Ohio.

He was married November 9, 1864 to *Mary Susan*, second daughter of Daniel and Catharine W. Doll, of Martinsburg, W. Va., where she was born August 20, 1838. The marriage ceremony was performed in the Reformed Church at Martinsburg by the Rev. Wm. D. Hanson, resident rector of the Protestant Episcopal Church, the only minister available at the time, because of the blockade existing by reason of the Civil War. A permit to enter and to leave the town was required by the Provost Marshal, of the Federal troops, at the time in command of the place, and that was only granted upon taking the oath of allegiance to the United States Government.

He served one year as pastor of the charge in Somerset, Pennsylvania, and then became the assistant of Rev. Elias Heiner, D. D., pastor of the First Reformed Church, of Baltimore, Md.; succeeded to this pastorate, on the death of Dr. Heiner, in 1863, and continued in the service of this congregation for eleven and a half years, until June 12, 1874, when he became pastor of the Evangelical Reformed Church, of Frederick, Md., where he continues in active service.

They have two children: *Catharine Elizabeth*, born at Martinsburg, W. Va., September 5, 1865, and baptized November 2, 1865, by the Rev. Dr. B. C. Wolff.

Mary Susan, born in Baltimore, Md., January 1, 1869, and baptized in the Reformed Church there, by the Rev. Wm. C. Cremer.

They are both unmarried, and live with their parents at Frederick, Md.

2. Mary Clarissa, was born at Paradise, Pennsylvania, July 24, 1837, baptized by Rev. Daniel Gring in infancy, married by Rev. Henry Weigand, December 15, 1858, to Benivelle Schaeffer, from near McEwensville, Pennsylvania. They now live at Beloit, Kansas. They have five children, two sons and three daughters as follows:

(1.) *Calvin Edmund*, born near McEwensville, Pennsylvania, March 7, 1859, baptized in infancy by Rev. Henry Wiegand, and married January 29, 1878, to *Alice Shurtz*, of Michigan. They now live in Kansas, and have one child, Beulah Altie, born ——— ——— 1898.

(2.) *Ida Elizabeth*, born September 26, 1862, and married *Otis Williard Lewis*, January 1, 1885. They now live in Beloit, Kansas, and have two children:

Lena Nera, born —— 1889.

Lloyd Herbert, born, —— 1899.

(3.) *Sarah Salena*, born May 12, 1864, married April, 2 ——, *Horace Frederick Shurtz*, of Michigan. They now live in Beloit, Kansas, and have three children:

Horace Bodell, born —— 1891.

Percy Ward, born —— 1895.

Earl, born July 20, 1901.

(4.) *Melva Edna* born July 28, 1868, and married John Paul Frazzie. They live in Kansas, and have no children.

(5.) *Tilghman Elmer*, born July 10, 1872. He lives in Beloit, Kansas, and is unmarried.

2. Elizabeth Barbara, was born at Paradise, Pennsylvania, October 22, 1889, baptized in infancy by Rev. Daniel Gring, married by Rev. Henry Wiegand, January 21, 1861, to *William Stephen*, son of John Clapp, of near McEwensville, Pennsyluania. They now reside in Milton, Pennsylvania. They have had four children, two sons and two daughters.

(1.) *David Horace*, born near McEwensville, Pennsylvania, January 27, 1862, baptized in infancy by Rev. Henry Wiegand, and confirmed in the Reformed Church, by Rev. Henry Mosser.

He went west, settled in business at Walla Walla,

Kansas, contracted typhoid fever, was sent by his physician to a hospital in Denver, Colorado, a distance of 218 miles, where after 22 days of illness he died, September 3, 1886, aged 24 years, 8 months and 5 days. The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. Henry Weigert, a Reformed minister, and his remains laid to rest in Riverside Cemetery, Colorado, where they await the general awakening of the last day.

(2.) *Minnie Elizabeth*, born near McEwensville, Pennsylvania, September 20, 1865, was baptized by Rev. Henry Wiegand in her infancy and confirmed by Rev. Henry Mosser at the age of fifteen. She is unmarried and lives with her parents at Milton, Pennsylvania.

(3.) *William Mosser*, born April 6, 1869, and baptized in his infancy. He was drowned in the Warrior Run, near McEwensville, Pennsylvania, June 20, 1884, aged 15 years, 3 months and 12 days. He, with a comrade, named Phillips, of near his own age, on the evening of a warm day went together for a bath and never returned. On the following day the two were found clasped in each others arms, under five feet of water. It is supposed that one or both were cramped by the cold water and so rendered helpless.

A joint funeral service was held in the Reformed Church at McEwensville, Pennsylvania, conducted by their pastor, Rev. John K. Millett.

(4.) *Bessie Eschbach*, born August 10, 1876, baptized in infancy by Rev. John K. Millet, and at the age of fifteen confirmed by Rev. John K. Millet. She is unmarried and lives with her parents at Milton, Pennsylvania.

4. David Joshua, was born at Paradise, Pennsylvania, June 4, 1841, baptized by Rev. Daniel Gring, confirmed by Rev. George Wolff; graduated at Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, in

the clsss of 1882; married *Elizabeth B.*, daughter of Dr. Kerfoot, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, January 6, 1863. He engaged in business and died in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where they lived, October 26, 1878, aged 37 years, 4 months and 22 days. His remains were brought to Lancaster, Pennsylvania, where the funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. George H. Johnston. He is buried in Woodward Hill Cemetery, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

They had one child, *George Kerfoot*, born October 17, 1864, and died December 4, 1869, aged 5 years, 6 months, and 27 days. The remains of father and child lie side by side in the same cemetery. His widow resides in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

DAVID ESCHBACH.

BORN OCTOBER 27, 1802.

DIED FEBRUARY 15, 1879.

Aged 76 yrs., 3 months, 18 days.

SARAH.

Wife of David Eschbach.

BORN FEBRUARY 13, 1822.

DIED JULY 30, 1893.

Aged 71 yrs., 5 mos., and 13 days.

They had seven living children, six sons and one daughter:

WILLIAM ANTHONY,
JOHN ABRAHAM,
SETH HENRY,
ISAIAH ALBERT,
LEVI HENRY CLAY,
DANIEL ELMER,
SARAH CATHARINE.

1. WILLIAM ANTHONY, born December 23, 1846, baptized in his infancy by Rev. Henry Weigand, confirmed at the age of 15 by the Rev. Henry Mosser, died August 1, 1865, aged 18 years, 9 months and 17 days. His

remains lie buried in the grave yard adjoining the Paradise Church.

2. JOHN ABRAHAM, born April 15, 1850, baptized in infancy by Rev. Henry Wiegand, died February 6, 1852, aged 1 year, 9 months and 25 days, and is buried in the Paradise grave yard.

3. SETH HENRY, born at Paradise, Pennsylvania, June 12, 1862, baptized in infancy by Rev. George Wolff; confirmed by Rev. Henry Mosser, at the age of 16; married by Rev. John K. Millett, to *Mary Agnes*, daughter of Samuel and Annie Clapp, of near Paradise Church, December 17, 1874. She was born January 5, 1855.

They had eight children, two sons and six daughters.

He was in business in Milton, Pennsylvania, where he died April 21, 1896, aged 39 years, 3 months, and 9 days. Rev. David W. Ebbert, his pastor, preached the funeral sermon in the Paradise Church, from Heb. X. 35. His remains lie in the cemetery adjoining the church. His widow and family reside in Milton, Pennsylvania.

Clarence Derbe, born near Milton, Pennsylvania, September 5, 1875, baptized in his infancy by Rev. John K. Millett; confirmed at the age of 15, by Rev. D. W. Ebbert. He is a graduate of the College of Pharmacy of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in which city he was prescription clerk for several years. He married *Jeannette Sticker*, of Milton, Pennsylvania, September 3, 1900. She was born August 11, 1877. They now reside in Milton, Pennsylvania, where he conducts the drug business. An infant son was born and died June 20, 1877.

Jennie Blanche, born near Milton, Pennsylvania, May 11, 1878, baptized by Rev. J. K. Millett in infancy; confirmed by Rev. D. W. Ebbert; married December

22, 1898, *Harry Gordon Phleger*, of Milton, Pennsylvania. He was born January 5, 1875. He is a machinist, and lives in Milton, Pennsylvania. They have twin boys, born May 16, 1901; Clarence Eschbach and Gordon Strine. They were baptized by their uncle, Rev. Dr. E. R. Eschbach, of Frederick, Maryland, August 10, 1901.

Bessie May, born at Milton, Pennsylvania, August 11, 1880, and baptized in infancy by Rev. D. W. Ebbert.

Mary Susan, born November 20, 1883, and baptized in infancy by Rev. Ebbert.

Annie Elizabeth, born June 11, 1885, and baptized in infancy by Rev. Ebbert.

Carrie Clapp, born near Milton, Pennsylvania, February, 2, 1887; died November 4, 1888, aged 8 months and 19 days.

Nita Florence, born January 19, 1900, and baptized in infancy by Rev. Ebbert.

4. Isaiah Albert, born at Paradise, Pennsylvania, May 19, 1854, baptized in infancy by Rev. George Wolff; confirmed by Rev. Henry Mosser, at the age of 15; married by Rev. John K. Millett, to *Alcesta*, daughter of William Balliett, of Limestonville, Pennsylvania, December 28, 1875. She was born April 20, 1855;. died September 3, 1902, aged 47 years, 5 months and 13 days. He resides where he was born, on the home farm in Paradise, Pennsylvania, and has seven children, six sons and one daughter:

Ralph David, born January 30, 1880, baptized in infancy by Rev. J. K. Millett; confirmed by Rev. Daniel E. Schoedler, and graduated as trained nurse at the hospital in Newark, New Jersey, June, 1902.

Paul Balliett, born September 14, 1882, baptized in infancy by Rev. J. K. Millett, and confirmed by Rev. Daniel E. Schoedler.

William Josiah, born August 21, 1884, baptized in infancy by Rev. D. E. Schoedler and confirmed by Rev. Wm. J. Muir.

Edmund Clarence, born December 25, 1891, and baptized in infancy by Rev. D. E. Schoedler.

Sarah Rebekah, born August 22, 1893, and baptized in infancy by Rev. D. E. Schoedler.

Carroll Albert, born March 16, 1895, and baptized in infancy by Rev. D. E. Schoedler.

Elmer Muir, born January 3, 1899, and baptized in infancy by Rev. Wm. J. Muir.

5. Levi Henry Clay, was born at Paradise, Pennsylvania, October 23, 1856; baptized by Rev. George Wolff; confirmed by Rev. Henry Mosser; graduated at Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, in the class of 1880; graduated in medicine from the University of Pennsylvania, of Philadephia, Pennsylvania, in the class of 1883; commenced the practice of medicine at Des Moines, Iowa; has since removed to Albia, Iowa, where he is settled and successfully practicing his profession. He married *Augusta Matherson Coe*, of Peterboro, New York, May 12, 1892. She was born March 8, 1870. They have three daughters:

Florence, born January 4, 1894.

Barbara, born August 5, 1896.

Martha, born August 6, 1899.

6. Daniel Elmer, born at Paradise, Pennsylvania, April 25, 1864, baptized by Rev. D. B. Albright; confirmed by Rev. J. K. Millett, and graduated at Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, in the class of 1884. He is now a resident of Des Moines, Iowa, and is unmarried.

7. Sarah Catharine, born April 26, 1869, baptized by Rev. Henry Mosser, and died of diphtheria, November

15, 1871, aged 2 years, 6 months and 9 days. Her remains are in the family lot in the Paradise graveyard.

III.

SARAH ESCHBACH, was born at Paradise, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, July 6, 1812. She was baptized in infancy, confirmed in the Reformed Church by Rev. Henry Wagner, in 1828, and also married by him to David Fink, November 10, 1831. They settled in Turbut Township, near the Paradise Church, and here all their children, six innumber, were born, as follows:

ANTHONY ROMIG,
BARBARA SABINA,
SARAH ELIZABETH,
ABRAHAM JACOB,
DAVID ESCHBACH,
WILLIAM FRANKLIN.

She died at the family home, March 9, 1866, aged 53 years, 8 months, and 3 days. He died in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, at the home of his oldest son, Dr. Anthony Romig, May 2, 1890, aged 85 years, 11 months and 27 days.

Their remains lie side by side in the Paradise grave yard, and their graves are designated by memorial stones.

1. ANTHONY ROMIG, born October 30, 1832, baptized in infancy by Rev. Henry Wagner, and confirmed in the Reformed Church, by Rev. Daniel Gring in 1838. He is a graduate of medicine of the University of Pennsylvania, and later also received the Honorary Degree of Ph. D. from the same institution.

He was married by the Rev. Benjamin F. Knepper, at Wellersburg, Somerset County, Pennsylvania, to *Susan Athalia Fechtig*, who was born at Clearspring, Maryland, November 7, 1837. They had three children, all boys:

Edward Beecher, born at Wellersburg, Pennsylvania, August 26, 1856, baptized by the Rev. Witmeier, of the Reformed Church, September, 1856. He is a graduate in medicine of the University of Pennsylvania; married *Harriet S. Hayden*, of Bloomington, Ill., June 20, 1894. The ceremony was performed at Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church, at a nuptial mass, conducted by the Rev. M. Weldon. They have two children: Sarah Beecher, born at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, April 19, 1895, and baptized at St. John's Roman Catholic Church, by Rev. Fr. Walsh. Anthony Robert, born at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, April 17, 1900, and baptized by Rev. Fr. McShilomy.

Robert Fechtig, born at Benwood, Virginia, March 26, 1858, baptized August 29, 1859, by Rev. Crever, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, died at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, December 10, 1884, aged 26 years, 8 months and 14 days.

Charles Winrode, born at Wheeling, Virginia, August 6, 1860, baptized by Rev. Smith, rector of St. John's Episcopal Church, Wheeling, Virginia; died at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, May 12, 1890, aged 29 years, 9 months and 6 days.

2. Barbara Sabina, born in Turbut Township, Pennsylvania, near the Paradise Church, September 24, 1834, baptized by Rev. Henry Wagner; confirmed by Rev. Daniel Gring in 1848; married by Rev. George Wolff, January 26, 1860, to *Isaac Higgins Rozelle*, who was born in Ohio, December 17, 1833. They lived near Delphos, Ohio, where he died, September 15, 1884, aged 50 years, 8 months, and 28 days. His widow

still lives there. They had seven children, three sons and four daughters:

David Ellis, born October 28, 1860, married *Emily Matilda Baxter*, February 7, 1885. She was born, September 3, 1861. They have seven children as follows:

Ira Curtis, born November 12, 1885.

Sadie May, born August 24, 1887.

Carrie Sabina, } born June 11, 1889.
Harry Edward, }

James Ellis, born June 11, 1893.

Emma Clare, born May 17, 1895.

Connie Aurora, born February 19, 1897.

Elizabeth Jane, born September 12, 1862, married *John W. Mossier* December 22, 1885. He was born February 14, 1858, and died October 21, 1893, aged 35 years, 8 months and 7 days. They had one child, Emma Ada, born May 10, 1887.

She married again, April 7, 1898, *George W. Hufter*, who was born January 5, 1859. They have one child, Clarence R. born July 23, 1900.

Isaac Newton, born August 1, 1864; married February 14, 1901, *Mary Minerva Bixler*, who was born November 23, 1875. They have no children.

Charles Albert, born October 2, 1867; married September 13, 1893, *Winnie Aurora Cook*, who was born June 19, 1875. They have one child, Edna Alice, born October 16, 1900.

Ida Belle, born April 21, 1870; died November 13, 1870, aged 6 months and 23 days.

Cora Ellen, born November 6, 1872; died September 6, 1876, aged 3 years and 10 months.

Sarah Alice, born October 26, 1875; married December 25, 1894, *Francis Reno Oatman*, who was born July 6,

1864. They have one child, Hazel Roselle, born August 25, 1896.

3. Sarah Elizabeth, born January 27, 1836; died November 21, 1836, aged 10 months and 6 days. Her remains marked by a memorial stone lie in the grave yard adjoining the Paradise Church.

4. Abraham Jacob, born July 26, 1837; baptized by Rev. Daniel Gring; confirmed by Rev. George Wolff. He was a Union Soldier during the Civil War. He is unmarried and makes his home in Milton, Penna.

5. David Eschbach, born May 9, 1839; baptized by Rev. Daniel Gring; confirmed by Rev. George Wolff; married *Maria Phillips*, March 21, 1861. She was born in 1842, and died February 17, 1881, aged 39 years. They had eight children, two sons and six daughters, as follows:

Mary Susanna, born April 1, 1862; married *Lemuel Johe*, July, 1891. She died in 1891, aged 29 years.

Sarah, born November 30, 1863; died August 9, 1867, aged 3 years, 8 months and 9 days.

Emma Jane, born November 15, 1865; died May 5, 1867, aged 1 year, 5 months and 20 days.

Boyd Wesley, born June 7, 1868. He is unmarried.

Elnora, born June 27, 1871; married *Frederick Hinman*.

Jennie May, born November 10, 1875; married May, 1892 *Lemuel Johe*, as his second wife.

William Edmund, born August 17, 1876; married Dora Young, June 26, 1901.

Lizzie Dora, born October 16, 1879; married *Lorenzo D. Dexheimer*, June 20, 1899.

He married as his second wife, October 27, 1881, *Sarah Margaret Dewalt*. They now reside in Milton, Pennsylvania, and have six children, three sons and three daughters, as follows:

Tilla Athelia, born September 16, 1883.

Sarah Theresa, born November 2, 1884.

Henry David, born August 11, 1886.

Franklin Philip, born November 22, 1889.

Nora Alice, born April 26, 1882; died October 12, 1896, aged 4 years, 5 months and 16 days.

Charles Williard, born March 23, 1896.

6. William Franklin, born April 8, 1843; baptized by Rev. Daniel Gring and confirmed by Rev. George Wolff. He was in the Union army during the Civil War, and was several times severely wounded. He is disabled, and now in the Soldiers' Hospital at Hampton, Roads, Virginia. He married *Mary Elizabeth Johnson*, December 13, 1883. They have six children, five sons and one daughter. The family lives at Milton, Pennsylvania.

Arthur Johnson, born January 19, 1887.

Anthony Romig, born July 6, 1888.

Frank Roland, born November 11, 1889.

Walter Raymond, born December 23, 1891.

Helen Catharine, born April 20, 1893.

John Edward, born October 29, 1898.

IV.

ELIZABATH BARBARA, was born in Paradise, Pennsylvania, April 17, 1817; baptized by Rev. Yost Fries; confirmed by Rev. Henry Wagner; married by Rev. Daniel Gring, February 21, 1839, to *Josiah Balliett*, of Limestone Township, Columbia, now Montour County, Pennsylvania, who was born January 17, 1818. They lived near the place of his birth until 1850, when they moved to Niagara County, near Lockport, New York.

They were both members of the Reformed Church, but finding no church of their own faith in their new home, they united with the Lutheran Church. In their later years they lived in Lockport, New York, where he was for years an Elder in the church. He died respected by all who knew him, October 30, 1890, aged 72 years, 9 months, and 23 days. She survived him nine years. Her death was hastened by an injury resulting from a fall, while on a visit to her youngest daughter living at Angelica, New York, where she died October 3, 1899, aged 82 years, 5 months and 19 days. She was buried from her home at Lockport and her remains lie by the side of her husband in the cemetery of that place. They had eight children, five sons and three daughters; six of them were born before leaving Pennsylvania, the remaining two in the State of New York:

AARON FRANKLIN,	JOHN ANTHONY,
SARAH AMANDA,	ELIZABETH BARBARA,
CHARLES OLIVER,	JOSIAH ALBERT,
WILLIAM DAVID,	MELVA EDA.

1. AARON FRANKLIN, born November 27, 1839, baptized and confirmed by Rev. Daniel Gring. He married *Sarah Elizabeth Babcock*, of Lockport, New York,

in 1868. He died March 1, 1883, aged 43 years, 3 months and 4 days. His remains lie in the cemetery at Lockport, New York. They had two sons:

Louis Jephthah, born July 1, 1870; married *Mary Fargo*. They have one son, named Fargo, about 4 years old.

Frank Howard, born September 1872; married *Margaret Ridgeway Ferguson* in 1898.

2. Sarah Amanda, born July 3, 1841; married *George W. Calkins*, December 27, 1887, and died November 6, 1898, aged 57 years, 4 months and 13 days. No children.

3. Charles Oliver, born September 14, 1843; married October 18, 1880, *Margaret Manson*, who was born in 1856. He is a jeweler. They reside at Waterloo, Iowa, and have two daughters:

Jesse Manson, born February 1882.

Helene Manson, born September, 1890.

4. William David, born October 29, 1845; married *Laura Frances Maginnis*, born in 1856. He is a Pharmacist, and the family now reside in Buffalo, New York. They have four chidren, two sons and two daughters:

Harold Josiah, born in Lockport, N. Y., February 28, 1874; married *Ada Young*, November 14, 1896. He is an editor, and lives in Buffalo, N. Y. No children.

Maud Romelia, born July 27, 1875; married *Rev. Henry Stephen Gatley*, minister of the Protestant Episcopal Church, July 22, 1896. No children.

Carlton James, born July 15, 1879.

Miriam Elizabeth, born January 28, 1883.

5. John Anthony, born October 19, 1847; died March 4, 1851, aged 3 years, 4 months and 15 days.

6. Elizabeth Barbara, born September 7, 1849. Unmarried. Lives at Lockport, New York.

7. JOSIAH ALBERT, born October 4, 1851; married *Hattie Montgomery*, February 2, 1882. She was born June 7, 1856; died at Chicago, Illinois, August, 1883, and was buried at Lockport, New York. No children.

Married as his second wife *Mrs. Sophia Griffis Frost.* She died at Chicago, Illinois, May 20, 1902, and was buried at Lockport, New York. No children.

8. MELVA EDA, was born September 30, 1859; married *Edward Maguire*, June 24, 1889. He is a teacher. They reside at Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, and have three children:

Gertrude Elizabeth, born September 24, 1891.

Alice Deborah, born May 11, 189 8.

Ruth Balliett, born June 3, 1900.

V.

JOHN ANTHONY, was born at Paradise, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, July 24, 1819; baptized by Rev. Yost H. Fries in infancy; confirmed by Rev. Daniel Gring in 1836, and married by him, October 27, 1840 to *Mary*, daughter of *Daniel Follmer*, of Columbia, now Montour County, Pennsylvania, who was born April 3, 1819.

In the spring of 1850, he removed his family from Turbut Township, Pennsylvania, and settled in Niagara County, New York. About ten years later he removed to Tama County, Iowa, where the country was at the time but sparsely settled. Here he endured hardships and exposure, in the strenuous battle for success, that superinduced great suffering from inflammatory rheumatism during the later years of his life.

Some time after coming to Iowa, the spelling of the name "*Eschbach*" was corrupted to "*Eshbaugh*," and adopted by him, the reason for which is not known to the writer. He died at Mt. Vernon, Iowa, where the family was temporarily residing whilst his youngest son was securing college advantages there, October 1, 1883, aged 64 years, 3 months and 2 days. His remains were taken to Tama city for burial, and rest in the cemetery of that place. His widow now resides at Cottonwood Falls, Kansas.

They had nine children, five sons and four daughters:

WILLIAM FOLMER.
FRANCIS,
ELIZABETH CAROLINE,
SUSAN BARBARA,
DANIEL OSCAR,
MARY ALICE,
JOHN EDGAR,
EMMA JANE,
CHARLES HAMLIN.

1. WILLIAM FOLLMER, born in Turbut Township, Pennsylvania, February 1, 1842, and baptized in infancy by the Rev. Daniel Gring.

He was a Union soldier during the Civil War; married March 1, 1866, *Emma Burley*, of Iowa, who was born February 5, 1846; died September 21, 1890, aged 44 years, 7 months and 16 days. He is County Treasurer of Tama County, Iowa. They had nine children, five sons and three daughters:

Mary Mystis, born May 21, 1867; died January 25, 1880, aged 12 years, 8 months and 4 days.

Emma Alice, born October 7, 1879; married March 11, 1890, *George Randolph*. They have two children:
Mabel Genivieve, born July 16, 1891.
Helen Lois, born March 5, 1893.

Edgar Follmer, born March 15, 1871; married in 1896, *Zadie Kinssear*.

William Carl, born May, 1876; died January 15, 1880, aged 3 years, 8 months, and 5 days.

Lois Elizabeth born April 8, 1878; married January 4, 1900, *Lewis Bissell.*

Nellie Blanche, born November 13, 1879; died May 3, 1881, aged 1 year, 5 months, and 20 days.

Frank Merle, born May 2, 1881.

Ralph Waldo, born December 24, 1883.

Harry Daniel, born June 15, 1885; died July 24, 1887, aged 2 years, 1 month, and 9 days.

2. Francis, born in Turbut Township, Pennsylvania, October 19, 1843; baptized in infancy by Rev. Daniel Gring; married in Tama County, Iowa, March 1, 1870, *Emergen Tomlinson*; is living near Tama City, Iowa. They have had four children:

Mertie, born June 11, 1872; died October 6, 1873, aged 1 year, 3 months and 28 days.

Bertie, born June 11, 1872; died June 15, 1872, aged 4 days.

Grace, born July 16, 1874; died May 17, 1891, aged 16 years, 10 months and 1 day.

Eugenia, born August 18, 1885.

3. Elizabeth Caroline, born in Turbut Township, Pennsylvania, August 5, 1845; baptized in infancy by Rev. Daniel Gring; married in Tama County, Iowa, May 10, 1866, *Willim Henderson Stoddard*, who was born February 28, 1839, Litchfield, Connecticut. They reside in Columbia Township, Iowa, and have eight children, four sons and four daughters:

George Edgar, born March 31, 1867; married March 9, 1899, *Lucretia Harder*, of Tama County, Iowa, who was born in January 8, 1875.

Bessie May, born November 17, 1869; married October 4, 1893, *Levi Grant Overturf*, who was born in York

Township, Tama County, Iowa, June 10, 1868. They have four children:

Percy Hope, born February 2, 1896.

John Clinton, born November 4, 1897.

Vera, born February 2, 1900.

Baby, born August 29, 1901.

Jesse D., born October 18, 1871; married June 21, 1897, *Jesse Lorane Dodsworth*, who was born in Buffalo, New York, June 7, 1868. They have one child, born at Buffalo, New York, December 28, 1898, named Kenneth Dodsworth.

John Henderson, born January 6, 1874.

Maud, born August 10, 1877.

Mary, born July 14, 1882.

Carrie Elvira, born November 25, 1883.

William Eshbaugh, born September 22, 1887.

4. Susan Barbara, born in Turbut Township, Pennsylvania, December 20, 1847; baptized by Rev. Daniel Gring in infancy; married in Tama City, Iowa, by the Rev. J. R. A. Hanner of the M. E. Church, September 25, 1901, *Orrville Marden Ellis*, of Cottonwood Falls, Chase County, Kansas, where they now reside.

5. Daniel Oscar, born in Turbut Township, Pennsylvania, May 24, 1850, and was baptized by Rev. Daniel Gring. While an infant his parents moved to Tama County, Iowa. He graduated from Iowa College in 1874; married Catharine Georgiana Otis, a college classmate, July 14, 1874. He at once established a real estate business, and became a member of the Board of Trustees of his Alma Mater, ten years after his graduation. He was instrumental in the creation and management of the "New England Loan and Trust Company," and was for years prior

to and at the time of his death its President. His business interests led him to locate in Des Moines, Iowa, and subsequently as the business grew, in New York City. The family residence was Mont Clair, New Jersey, from which point he could conveniently reach his New York office. He was prominent in church, benevolent and financial circles. "With a high sense of honor and marked sincerity, he combined a justness of judgment, and an untiring fidelity that account for his being so much sought as a fiduciary adviser." "He was an intelligent student and an unusually competent teacher of the Bible, and was recognized as an active worker, a man of generous sympathies and a liberal giver." He was in New York, a director of the "Review of Reviews Company," and a member of the "Chamber of Commerce," at the time of his death. His physical condition had caused his friends uneasiness for several years. He was subject to violent attacks of vertigo and often complained of great physical distress. His death came suddenly and unexpectedly by drowning, September 26, 1898, aged 48 years, 4 months and 2 days. His body was found floating in the North River, at the foot of Fourteenth Street, Hoboken, New Jersey. His remains were taken to Des Moines, Iowa, where they rest in Woodlawn Cemetery. His family relations were most congenial and happy. They had seven children:

Katharine Clare, born May 20, 1875; married October 10, 1889, *Frederick Cole Dudley*. They have one child, Katharine, born September, 25, 1900.

Mary Genivieve, born May 2, 1877.

William Hardy, born September 21, 1879; married April 16, 1900, *Mabel Elizabeth Chapin*.

Carl, born June 6, 1881; died May 29, 1882, aged 11 months and 23 days.

Margaret, born June 29, 1883.

Helen, born January 25, 1885.

Daniel Otis, born January 14, 1889; died November 21, 1900, aged 11 years, 10 months and 7 days.

6. MARY ALICE, born in Niagara County, New York, October 26, 1852; died September 17, 1860, aged 7 years, 10 months and 21 days.

7. JOHN EDGAR, born in Niagara County, New York, October 10, 1854; died October 10, 1860, aged 5 years and 10 months.

8. EMMA JANE, born in Niagara County, New York, December 17, 1856; died October 23, 1860, aged 3 years, 10 months and 6 days.

9. CHARLES HAMLIN, born in Niagara County, New York, April 8, 1859. Married. Wife and babe died within 24 hours of each other. He has married again. Is representing the "International Correspondence Schools" of Scranton, Pennsylvania, at Rossland, B. C., Canada.

JOHN PHILIP ESCHBACH.

JOHN PHILIP was the fourth child of *John* and *Anna Mary Eschbach*, and was born in what is now Lehigh County, Pennsylvania, March 27, 1782. He came with his parents to Lewis Township, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania, in 1805, and married November 19, 1814, *Mary Romig*, of Lehigh County, Pennsylvauia, who was born October 22, 1785. She was half-sister to Barbara Romig, wife of his brother Anthony, who lived on the adjoining farm. His father, with whom he had lived, died the year preceding his marriage. He purchased the home place and lived there to the day of his death. His wife died January 10, 1825, aged 39 years, 2 months and 18 days. Her remains lie in the grave yard adjoining the Paradise Church. They had three living children:

THERESIA, CATHARINE,
SARAH.

I.

THERESIA, was born August 15, 1815; baptized by Rev. Yost H. Fries; confirmed in 1831 by Rev. Henry Wagner; married by the same, January 2, 1840, to *Charles Follmer*, who was born January 29, 1819; died May 19, 1883, aged 66 years, 4 months and 20 days. She died November 16, 1864, aged 49 years, 3 months and 1 day. Their remains lie side by side in the grave yard adjoining the Paradise Church. They had five children, two sons and three daughters:

LEVI HENRY, SUSAN BARBARA,
MARGARET CATHARINE. CHARLES DANIEL.
SARAH ELIZA.

(1.) *Levi Henry*, born January 5, 1841; married December 3, 1863, *Ellen Watts*, born January 7, 1839. No children.

(2.) *Margaret Catharine*, born November 11, 1842; married November 28, 1876, *Samuel Philip Lerch*, born October 23, 1839. They have six children:

Charles Daniel, born November 17, 1868; graduated at Ursinus College, Pennsylvania, in the class of 1895; from Ursinus School of Theology, in 1898; licensed to preach by Wyoming Classis, June 3, 1898; ordained and installed as pastor of the Mausdale Charge, May 23, 1899, by a Committee of Wyoming Classis, consisting of Revs. Geo. S. Sorber, Wm. E. Bushong and Jos. W. Bell. Is unmarried.

Samuel Elmer, born August 23, 1871; married Fannie A. Menges, September 24, 1901.

Mary Theresia, born August 15, 1874.

Amy Follmer, born February 23, 1878.

Sallie Edith, Maggie Irene, } born May 14, 1883.

3. Sarah Eliza, born January 8, 1846; married September 14, 1876, *William Henry Miller*, who was born April 27, 1840. They have three children:

Margaret Irene, born April 27, 1878.

Rosa Theresia, born December 6, 1879.

Carrie Edith, born June 23, 1884.

4. Susan Barbara, born November 14, 1847; married December 14, 1875, *Josiah Baker*, born June 12, 1856. They have six children, two sons and four daughters:

Samuel Edmund, born July 9, 1877.

Cyrus Oscar, born December 1, 1879; died December 22, 1882, aged 3 years and 21 days.

Sallie May, born September 7, 1880; died May 29, 1882, aged 2 years, 3 months and 20 days.

Daisy Irene, born December 3, 1881.

Lucy Ray, born March 28, 1884.

Maggie Edith, born August 21, 1888.

Charles Daniel, born June 3, 1857; married by Rev. F. C. Yost, December 15, 1885, to *Susan Mary Karchner*, born May 16, 1863.

II.

CATHARINE, was born December 9, 1818; baptized by Rev. Yost H. Fries; confirmed by Rev. Henry Wagner; married by Rev. Daniel Gring in 1846 to Abraham Frederick, who was born March 3, 1824; died December 3, 1889, aged 65 years, and 9 months. She died September 7, 1887, aged 68 years, 8 months and 27 days. They had two sons:

(1.) *Franklin Philip*, born February 27, 1848; married December, 1873, *Mary Jane Ruhl*, born January 18, 1852; died September 21, 1887, aged 35 years, 7 months and 3 days. No children. He married as his second wife *Mrs. Jennie Mary Ruhl*, nee *Rishel*, November 7, 1899. She was born March 15, 1852, and was the widow of *Calvin Ruhl*. He died March 25, 1900, aged 52 years, 1 month and 18 days. No children.

2. *John Calvin*, born February 6, 1851; married November 11, 1872, *Louisa Geyer*, born January 8, 1854. They have seven children, four sons and three daughters:

William Clarence, born February 13, 1874; married

January 19, 1899, Emma Mauser, born December 12, 1879.

Lucy Catharine, born July 7, 1876; married December 7, 1899, John Niece Endley, born January 12, 1873. They have one child, Cloid Frederick, born November 18, 1900.

Emma Cora, born February 26, 1880.

Charles Franklin, born November 2, 1882.

Margaret Jane, born December 14, 1887.

Harry Calvin, born July 6, 1890.

Paul Albert, born March 19, 1892.

III

SARAH. See second wife of *David Eschbach*, page 26.

JOHN PHILIP ESCHBACH, married as his second wife February 22, 1827, MARY CATHARINE FOLLMER, born October 19, 1787; died August 14, 1871, aged 83 years, 9 months and 25 days. He died June 16, 1844, aged 66 years, 2 months and 29 days. Their remains rest side by side, their graves marked by monumental stones in the grave yard adjoining the Paradise Church. They had two children:

(1.) *Levi*, born February 29, 1828; married December 7, 1859, *Sallie Updegraff Crothers*, born June 6, 1836. They live in Muncy, Pennsylvania; had one child, Annie Margaret, born June 6, 1861; died August 10, 1882, aged 21 years, 2 months and 4 days.

(2.) *Margaret*, born August 20, 1829; married Samuel Frymire, February 6, 1878. They live in McEwnsville, Pennsylvania. No children.

APPENDIX—A.

ADAM ROMIG, married CATHARINE BUTZ. They had four children:

JOHN, married and had children.

JOHN ADAM, married and had children.

PETER, married and had children.

BARBARA, married *Anthony Eschbach*, and had six children, three sons and three daughters.

ADAM ROMIG, married as his second wife ELIZABETH NEWHART. They had eight children, three sons and five daughters.

DANIEL, died unmarried.

SAMUEL, married and had children.

THOMAS, married and had children.

MARY, married *John Philip Eschbach*, and had three daughters:

ELIZABETH, married *Henry Windt*, and had a large family.

SUSANNAH, married *Jacob Mohry*, and had children.

EVE, died unmarried.

SARAH, married *Peter Newhart*, and had one son and three daughters.

APPENDIX—B.

PETER RISHEL married ANNA MARY HEIMBACH. His father was *Michael Rishel*, who had six sons and two daughters. Her father was Michael Heimbach, who had three sons and seven daughters all of whom married.

PETER RISHEL, was born September, 20, 1775; married *Anna Mary Heimbach*, January 24, 1789; died May 9, 1857, aged 68 years, 3 months and 10 days.

They had one child *Elizabeth*, who became the wife of David Eschbach. They are buried side by side in the grave yard adjoining the Paradise Church, Northumberland County, Pennsylvania. Their graves are suitably marked by memorial stones.

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